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CANADA

On a recent buying trip managed to locate a small hoard of a certain Canadian "sleeper." Have had some experience with this variety and can safely say it would be missing in 99% of all Canadian collections! Nor would a $5.00 or $10.00 bill secure it in a hurry from any of hundreds of dealers.

For prompt acceptance, here's an unusual offer: The above "sleeper" plus a full two-year mail subscription service for only $2.00. You will receive at infrequent intervals over a period of two years, various notes and articles, check lists, etc., all dealing with Canadian philately as published by myself, all post paid. Worth hundreds of dollars to anyone at all interested in Canadian stamps.

Have a couple other good items well worth $3.00 more which could add if an extra dollar is sent. This would then cover a three-year subscription service. Not many of this additional offer so will refund the extra dollar if sold out.

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Scott No.			Mint	Used
2	1863	1p	—	1.75
3		1p	—	1.65
4		6p	—	1.85
5	1873	1p	2.00	1.35
6		1p	—	2.50
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8	1873-9	1p	—	.90
10		4p	—	1.25
11		6p	—	1.25
12	1882-6	½p	.30	.32
13		2½p	—	2.00
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16		4p	.45	.50
17		1sh	8.00	—
18		1p	.22	.26
19		6p	2.50	2.75
20	1886	1p	2.00	.60
21	1903	½p	.20	—
22		1p	.30	.28
23		2p	.75	—
24		2½p	.90	—
25		3p	.90	—
26		6p	1.90	—
27		1sh	2.75	—
28		2sh	4.00	—
29		2sh6p	3.50	—
30		5sh	8.00	—
31	1908-12	½p	.30	.30
32		1p	.30	.28
33		2p	.50	—
34		2½p	.90	—
35		3p	.75	—
36		6p	.85	—
37		1sh	1.25	—
38		2sh	6.25	—
41	1913	5sh	6.00	—
42	1921-9	½p	.05	.05
43		1p	.11	.10
44		1p	.15	.10
45		1½p	.75	—
46		1½p	.20	.14
47		1½p	.11	.12
48		2p	.12	.09
49		2½p	.14	.18
50		2½p	.30	—
51		3p	.23	.25
52		6p	.25	.25
53		1sh	.80	.85
54		2sh	1.60	—
55		2sh6p	1.40	—
56	1921-9	3sh	1.90	—
57		4sh	2.60	—
58		3p	.38	—
59		4p	.36	—
60		1sh	.70	—
61		2sh	1.40	—
62		2sh6p	1.40	—
63		5sh	2.60	—
64		1£	15.00	—
67	1932	½p	.30	.35
68		1p	.30	.35
69		1½p	.60	.65
70		2p	.90	—
71		2½p	1.10	—
72		3p	1.35	1.40
73		6p	2.00	2.15
74		1sh	3.75	—
67-74		½p1sh	10.00	11.00
75		2sh6p	9.00	—
76		5sh	20.00	—
67-76		complete	37.50	40.00
77	1935	1p	.12	.13
78		1½p	.17	.17
79		2½p	.55	.60
80		1sh	1.35	1.50
77-80		complete	2.00	2.25
81-3	1937 cor. cpl.		.25	.30
84	1938	½p	.03	.03
85		1p	.03	.03
86		1½p	.03	.04
87		2p	.04	.05
88		2½p	.05	.06
89		3p	.06	.06
90		6p	.10	.11
91		1sh	.20	.20
84-91		½p1sh	.50	.55
92		2sh6p	.48	—
93		5sh	.95	—
84-93		complete	1.85	2.25
94-5	1946 Peace		.10	.15
96	1948	10sh	1.85	—
97		1£	3.70	—
98	1949	2½pS.W.	.08	—
99		5shS.W.	1.00	—
100-3	1949 UPU Cpl.		.60	—
104	1951	3c	.09	.09
105		12c	.18	.18
106	1953 2c Cor.		.03	.03
MR1	1916	½p	.05	.06
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Popular Stamps Now $1.50 per year

THANK YOU !

We are pleased with reception our raise in subscription price has received since last issue. It has been accepted without complaint unless a couple of notices on expiring subscriptions that they would not be renewing are to be charged to the raise—but we doubt it. There are always old ones dropping out and new ones coming in to take their place. Noticeable, too, is the number who are renewing for the 14 issues at $2.00. One subscriber did say that the $2.00 rate was "no bargain" and renewed for one year only. We would repeat that the $2.00 offer is for the convenience of those who wish to remit in even dollars rather than the making of a bargain offer—though it does bring $2.10 value for $2.00.

It is possible that some will drop out on account of the raise but those who continue will be the really interested collectors who we, and our advertisers, know appreciate the class of magazine we are endeavoring to place before them. If we do not secure that kind of interest then our efforts fail. We have faith that in spite of television, the theatre and other attractions the real collector will still find time for stamps.

A. L. McCREADY.

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O249	1c green	.02
O250	2c brown	,02
O252	3c purple	.02
O253	4c Elevator	.12
O254	4c red	.02
O255	5c blue	.02
O257	10c brown	.02
O259	14c Tank	.15
O260	20c Corvette	.05
O261	50c Munitions	.25
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Cobden, Ont., October, 1955.

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While we publish various and sundry articles on a number of Canadian philatelic matters, "Popular Stamps" does not necessarily endorse every opinion or observation made by contributors. We welcome articles of worth and if of general interest or bringing out new thoughts for our readers to pursue, we publish them. It is by hearing from others that we keep alive interest in our hobby.

NEW ISSUES . . . by Red Eagle

GREAT BRITAIN — 4 vals. 2/6, 5/-, 10/-, 20/- Pictorials, Castles of the British Isles.

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TURKEY—3 vals. Nurse congress.

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After preaching a powerful sermon against betting, a vicar was dismayed to learn that one of his wardens was a heavy gambler, and at once hurried around to apologize.

"Oh, don't worry about it," said the warden. "After all, it's a pretty poor sermon that doesn't hit me somewhere."

Canada - Plateblocks

The 1933-34 Commemoratives are not getting any easier to find, and now is the time to fill in those missing positions. I can supply all positions of #202 to #210 (except LL of #209). Your list for these and any other wants will receive immediate attention.

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Two New Stamps November 8th

4c AND 5c PRIME MINISTERS COMMEMORATIVE ISSUES

On Tuesday, the 8th November, two newly-designed postage stamp issues will be available for purchase by the public in Post Offices throughout Canada. The two stamps will be additions to the series commenced several years ago issued to commemorate former Prime Ministers of Canada. A 4c stamp in purple will portray Rt. Hon. Richard Bedford Bennett, Prime Minister of Canada from the 7th August, 1930, to the 23rd October, 1935. A 5c blue stamp will portray the Hon. Sir Charles Tupper, Prime Minister of Canada from the 1st May, 1896, to the 8th July, 1896.

These two postage stamps are being issued to commemorate the contribution made by these outstanding men to the development of Canada. The stamps will be small size and will be distributed in panes of 100 stamps each.

Principal Canadian post offices will have the new stamps for sale on the 8th November. Orders for these stamps in selected mint condition may now be sent to the Philatelic Section,Financial Branch, Post Office Department, Ottawa 4, Ontario. The orders will be filled and returned at the earliest possible date after 8th November. Orders for new issue stamps only will be given preference over mixed orders for both the new issue stamps and other issues. These postage stamps are of the Commemorative type and will not be re-ordered when the original supply is exhausted, and will not be overprinted with the letter "G" to indicate their use by Federal Government Departments.

First Day Covers

All patrons who desire to have first day covers prepaid with the new issue postage stamps, serviced by the Post Office Department and specially cancelled on the day of issue, the 8th November, are required to forward self-addressed covers to the Post-

master, Ottawa 2, Ontario, NOT to the Philatelic Section, to arrive not later than the 7th November.

All covers must contain "fillers" and must be sealed or have the flap turned in. To avoid errors the patron should mark on the cover, upper right hand corner, the quantities of stamps to be affixed to each cover. Do not fold covers when forwarding them through the mails. Enclose all covers in an outside cover marked "First Day of Issue". All covers will be returned by ordinary mail unless it is specifically requested that they be returned by registered mail. Covers will not be returned in bulk under outside cover. Orders for first day cover service MUST NOT include orders for mint or unused stamps. Remarks or inquiries not related directly to the order for first day covers should be written on a separate piece of paper.

In addition to the cost of postage required to be affixed to the covers at ordinary, air mail, or registered mail rates, collectors must include in their remittance sufficient money to pay the Department's cover service fee amounting to 5c for each cover forwarded for service. Please note that the present rate on first class mail for delivery in North and South America, the British Commonwealth, France and Spain is 5c. The first class mail rate for Ottawa local delivery is 4c and for countries not mentioned above is 6c. Avoid covers being spoiled by postage due markkings by prepaying sufficient postage.

The necessary space should be allowed on first day covers if blocks of stamps are ordered. The Postmaster, Ottawa, cannot guarantee to supply plate corner blocks of four stamps which will be distributed as equittably as the supply permits. The Philatelic

Section will not handle first day covers.

Remittances

Remittances for first day covers are to be made payable to the "Receiver General of Canada", and sent to the Postmaster, Ottawa 2, Ont.

Remittances for mint stamps are to be made payable to the "Receiver General of Canada" and sent directly to the Post Office Department, Philatelic Section, Financial Branch, Ottawa 4, Ontario.

Remittances should be made by means of Postal Money Order or bank draft in Canadian funds. Patrons from countries other than Canada or the United States should forward remittances by means of an International Money Order. Postal notes cannot be accepted. If cash is sent, it should be in a registered package. At this time, United States funds are subject to a discount when converted into Canadian funds. Postage stamps are not accepted as a remittance.

Plate Numbers

The new stamps will be printed from two plates for each issue, Nos. 1 and 2. Plate number blocks will be supplied only from the Philatelic Section of the Department with orders for these stamps in mint condition and where they are specifically ordered. 100 stamps, full panes, must be ordered for each plate number block of either denomination.

General

During the past summer, on the 7th July, H.M. Queen Elizabeth II, 1954 design portrait stamp was issued in a bilingual book of 6 x 4c postage stamps. This book sells for 25c each.

The same issue of stamps in panes of 100 stamps has been issued printed from plates numbered below. No stamps are available printed from the plate number positions noted in brackets.

1c—Plates 1 to 3 inclusive (Plate 2 lower left not available).

2c—Plates 1 to 3 inclusive.

3c—Plates 1 and 2.

4c—Plates 1 to 6 inclusive (Plates 1 and 2 not available).

5c—Plates 1 to 7 inclusive (Plates 1 and 2 not available).

6c—Plate 1 and 2.

CANADA NOTES

There has just come to hand a very well gotten-up catalogue of the Booklet Panes of Canada. It goes very fully into all the minute varieties of printing of the printed leaves in these booklets. This is of course of great interest to collectors of the entire booklet. Such variations of staple size, both caliber and length are also noted. I have been under the impression that the "stitching" varied in length too, but I do not see this matter mentioned.

One feature I enjoyed studying was the number issued of each kind of booklet and mentally making a calculation of the relative scarcity and present prices. Of the Queen Victoria booklet only 1,202,000 were issued while the King Endward had about 10 times that number. Yet the current price per pane is much more for the Edward. This does not strike me as realistic.

The 3c brown booklet of Geo. V had 1,600,000 issued in English, yet try to find one today. Then we come to the booklet with the 1c, 2c, and 3c red with only 75,000 issued and the price of that is much lower than the similar booklet with the 3c brown pane in it and of that there were issued 600,000. These things don't tally up right to my mind.

Coming on down to the 1930 issue of the 1c, 2c, and 3c booklet, we find 302,000 English issued and with the 1932 Medallion issue of a similar booklet we find only 125,000 issued yet we find dealer lists show the 1930 panes at much higher prices than the 1932. It seems the prices should be reversed. I could go on with many more booklets and panes showing up similar discrepancies in pricing in dealer lists.

The author of this very fine catalogue is C. P. Arnold, of 49 Christie St., Troy, N.Y. There is no price marked for this catalogue, yet no collector of these interesting booklets can afford to be without it. I suggest you contact the author about the price.—L. Seale Holmes, M.D.

Circus-goer—this is a dwarf? And you charge to see him? Why, the guy's five feet high.

Circus man—that's just it! He's the tallest dwarf in the world!

Disposing of a Deceased Collector's Holdings

I have been requested to sell the following items to close out an estate. Order early or reserve by postcard. Everything has to be sold soon.

CANADA—A collection between No. 14 and 310 about 400 stamps. M. & U including blocks. I note 66-73 in V.F. mint. If not sold, I will pay the estate the quoted price of .....$ 55.00

CANADA — First day and Special event covers from 1942 'till the present—send want list.

CANADA — Plate blocks, in most cases just one set of each and the Coronations are here in all four sets (16 blocks) at .....$ 22.00

CANADA MINT SHEETS

246-248 1 sheet of each	$ 9.50
277	2.60
282	2.25
283	2.75
291	5.00
292, 303 and 318 each	5.50
311	5.25
312	11.50
317	2.60
319	6.25
330	6.00
322	4.00
323	4.25

Only one of each

CANADA — Scott's No. 226 a used block of 15. 5x3. perf OHMS. This is listed by Sissons at $7.00 each—if interested write for price.

CANADA—The 1897 Jubilees in mint singles ½c to 50c .....$ 19.50

BRITISH COLONIES—1953—Coronation Q.E. in a special album complete except that the S.W.A. are used on first day cover .....$ 11.75

U.P.U. from the Colonies. This is not complete there being only 70 sets but I note some of the good sets are here .....$ 30.00 This is a good buy.

1937 Coronations—192 diff. with 10 sets missing .....$ 9.00

U.S.A.—ARTMASTER first day covers—from 982 to 1024 plus 1029 and 1039 in sets of single, pair and block. In many cases they are the plate blocks. Write for what you need. The price will be right. I also have C40 to 47 in this series but they are not consistent to the description above.

UNITED NATIONS—ARTMASTER covers again—Scott's No's 1 to 11 in blocks of 4 on cover offered at $10.00

U.N. Scott's 12 to 18 on ARTMASTER covers in a single, pair and block plus eight other covers (all first day) a total of 34 covers $ 6.75

CANADA—C8 in plate block No. 5 the UR corner perf OHMS. This item not seen listed and one other large plate block dealer did not know that it existed—Unique? .....$ 25.00

The 1953 Coronations. I have quite a few first day covers from various colonies that I would like to dispose of. Write if interested.

There were a number of Newfoundland and New Zealand in this lot. They have been mounted into approval books. Do not be afraid to write if there is anything that interests you here. I will always accept good Canadian material in part payment for some of the items mentioned above.

James Dickenson

2165 McARA ST., REGINA, SASK., CANADA

The HOLLOW TREE

By Ed. Richardson

#280—Pioneer Air Stamp Forgery

Recently obtained from England a most interesting forgery of Sanabria #501, the 1918 Areo Club of Canada Issue. This is a scarce stamp, and exists both with and without the numerals of value, -"25." Six copies are known with both the numerals and the red color ommitted. No copies are known WITH figures of value and the red color ommitted. That is exactly what my forgery is supposed to be. It is fairly well done, but the design lacks the detail of the original. the light lines of which have either disappeared entirely, or become faint dotted lines.

I'd be interested in hearing of others having similar items.

#281—Scott's #337, 15c Gannet With Very Faint Plate And Control Numbers

Thanks to Mr. Cryderman of Bisset, Man. I recently added to my collection two lower left plate number blocks of this stamp, plates #1 and #2, in which the plate and control number in the left margin are almost "phantom" numbers. They are barely visible. Yet the imprint in the bottom margins are clear.

#282—Nova Scotia Cents Issue Imprints

Why do catalogues continue to print incorrect data? That swell new handbook, Holmes' Catalogue of BNA, 1954 edition, continues on page 211, erroneous imformation long since corrected in the philatelic press.

To quote, "Imprint twice in all four margins." As far back as April 1943, in STAMPS magazine (Ap. 17 issue), I wrote an illustrated artical, complete with drawings showing the number and position of imprints on all issues except the 5c.

To restate:

1c value—TEN Imprints, two each top and bottom margins, three each in side margins.

2c and 12½c value—As above but the top and bottom imprints are in different position than on the 1c.

8½c value — TWELVE Imprints, three each in all four margins.

10c value—TEN Imprints, the top and bottom imprints in the same position as on the 2c, but the side imprints are in totally different places.

So instead of EIGHT imprints, there are TEN or TWELVE Imprints on each sheet.

#283—"Whitteley's Express" Fake Locals

Ever since I secured some of my first copies of the fake Canadian "Local" — "Bancroft's Express" I have wanted to secure a copy or two of the "Whitteley's Express." These "Taylor-made" products have the same vignette. At last I have two copies, black on lilac surface colored paper, and red on white. These are probably the only types. Certainly they are the only two types mentioned by H. Warren K. Hale of Montreal in his outstanding series of articles appearing in the COLLECTOR'S CLUB PHILATELIST. The particular issue devoted to the BANCROFT and WHITTELEY stamps was Vol. XIII No. 3, July 1934.

"Have you an account here, ma'am?" the clerk asked.

"No," the lady replied, 'but I would like to see the manager."

Hekimar led her into the manager's office and announced, "A no-account lady to see you sir."

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A substantial purchase of other B.N.A. I need enables me to offer this portion of the "buy" at very attractive prices.

CANADA SHEETS

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	Mint	
90a	2c Edward, imperforate, beautiful condition	75.00
210	2c New Brunswick 1934, fresh appearance	20.00
211-216	1c-13c (6) set complete, NICE!	133.00
220	4c Yellow, George V, 1935	13.50
234	4c Yellow, George VI, 1937	17.00
246	1c Royal Visit 1939	4.00
247	2c Royal Visit 1939	2.50
248	3c Royal Visit 1939	3.50
246-248	1c-3c (3) set complete	9.00
253	4c Greenish Black, Grain Elevators	21.00
258	13c Tank, Green	16.50
274	4c Bell	3.00
C5	6c Red Brown, 1935 Air Mail	6.50
C7	6c War Air Mail, 1942	20.00
CE1	16c Special Delivery Air Mail	13.50
CE2	17c Special Delivery Air Mail	14.00
CE3	17c Special Delivery Air Mail, die I error	25.00
CE4	17c Special Delivery Air Mail, die II corrected	14.00
CE1-CE4 (4) set complete		62.00
E9	10c on 20c 1938, Special Delivery	18.00

NEW BRUNSWICK

6	6c Red Lilac, 1860-1863, complete sheet of one hundred stamps. A great rarity. Good to fine	60.00

NEWFOUNDLAND

Sheet Mint O.G.

20	6d Rose imperforate. Complete sheet of twenty stamps	40.00

Large Blocks Mint

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The Stamps of New Brunswick

BY M. W. CRYDERMAN

(Continued From Last Issue)

Cancellations used on New Brunswick stamps are many and varied. St. John used a large unframed circle of the words ST. JOHN-NEW BRUNSWICK with the date in the centre in two lines, two types, and another similar with the words ST. JOHN-N.B. An old pre-adhesive hand stamp ST. JOHN, N.B.-PAID forming an unframed circle, three types, was sometimes used to cancel stamps. Another St. John cancellation was a small circle with the words ST. JOHN, N.B. and the date. A large circle with the words PROVINCE - BRUNSWICK around the words OF-NEW, in two lines, has been reported on the 6d both in black and in red. Smaller offices and way offices also had unframed circular cancels with the date in manuscript, such as W O BAKER'S CREEK-N.B. and W O NORTON-N.B. Old handstamps were frequently pressed into service when the cancellations were applied. Among the former service markings used to cancel New Brunswick stamps we find SHIP LETTER, STEAMBOAT, PAID ALL in red, PAID in black, red and blue, WAY-LETTER in a small circle, the numeral 5 above the word CENTS, in black and in red, the numeral 6, a large fancy 4, a mark resembling two ovals crossed, and several corks.

Several grids were used including a small circle with seven bars, an oval composed of eleven horizontal lines, five of which were broken to provide an open space for an inscription or numeral, another oval with fourteen lines at right angles to the longer axis, the central four broken sometimes to provide an open space, an unframed circle with horizontal lines, six broken to provide space for a circle and numeral, and a large unframed circle of eleven heavy horizontal bars, five broken to provide space for a circle containing a numeral. But the commonest killer is an oval grid, in horizon-position, consisting of fourteen vertical lines, four broken to provide space for a numeral, so centred to the right that there was only one line left at the right hand side. These grids, measuring 27mm.x18mm., were furnished to the various New Brunswick post offices in 1854 and each office had a different number. The identification of these numerals with the post offices they represent is not complete. The extreme scarcity of New Brunswick covers makes it unlikely that this will ever be done with absolute accuracy. The following list is probably reasonably accurate:

1. St. John, 2. Andover, 3. Baie Verte, 4. Bathurst, 5. Bend of the Pedicodiac (Moncton), 6. Campbelltown, 7. Campobello, 8. Chatham, 9. Grand Falls, 10. Dalhousie, 11. Dorchester, 12. Edmundston, 13. Fredericton, 14. Gagetown, 15. Hampton Ferry, 16. Harvey, 17. Hillsborough, 18. Kingston, 19. Memramcook, 20. Milltown, 21. Newcastle, 22. Oromocto, 23, Richibucto, 24. Sackville, 25. Salisbury, 26. Shediac, 27. St. Andrew's, 28. St. George, 29. St. Martins, 30. St. Stephen, 31. Sussex, 32. Upham Vale, 33. Upper Mills, 34. Woodstock.

The numeral 38 has been reported but not identified. The numerals 35, 36, and 37 would then exist. They were probably assigned to offices established after 1854. Possibilities are Indian Island or Sheffied established in 1856, Buctouche or Carleton established in 1858, Hampton, later Ossekeag, established in 1859, or Canterbury, Mouth of the Nerepis, or Springfield established in 1860. Another possibility is Grand Manan which was set up in 1853 but is not included in the above list. In the above list all numbers have been positively identified except numbers 2, 5, 6, 7, 18, 21, 22, 25, 27, 31, 32 and 33. From the obvious alphabetical order into which the known numbers fall, except St. John and Grand Falls, it has been conjectured that the unidentified numbers represent the post offices assigned them in the above list. W. O. White's Cove, Edwardstown, Ottawa, Wicklow, Colbrook and Upper Peel, which appear in former lists, are not in the official list of post offices for the years 1855 and 1860. W. O. White's Cove, and possibly the others, were way of-

fices, that is small offices subordinate to a regular post office, using their own identifying stamps to record receipt and despatch of letters, but not to cancel the stamps. They could not have been issued numeral killers or the list would have been far greater than it is.

Varieties and oddities have been reported from time to time. These include the 3d watermarked with a double lined 3, the same stamp watermarked with a double lined H, the bogus 1½c on half of a 3d previously mentioned, the 1c stamps with double perforation between a horizontal pair, the 1c imperforate vertically, the 2c orange imperforate horizontally and the 10c part perforate. None of these have been confirmed by the writer.

Proofs exist of both the pence and cents issue. Plate proofs of all three values of the pence issues are known in black, on thin card. Both die and plate proofs are reported for the cents values, but the plate proofs only are common. The 1c plate proof is found in brown violet, orange and red lilac, and brown violet with SPECIMEN in red; the 5c in blue green, yellow green, orange, black, and yellow green with SPECIMEN overprinted in red, the 10c in orange, vermilion, and vermilion with SPECIMAN in red, green or black, the 12½c in blue, both imperforate and perforated, the 17c in orange, black, and black with SPECIMAN in red, the 2c in orange, red, green and black, and the Connell in orange, brown, and brown with the red overprint SPECIMAN. All these are on india or india sunk on card.

The writer gratefully acknowledges the help of Fred Jarrett and W. W. Chadbourne in many of the problems encountered in this compendium and for much of the above information.

THIRD ANNUAL MEETING

Saturday, October 22nd has been fixed as the date of the third annual Edmonton-Calgary stamp collectors get-together.

The meeting will be held at the I.O.O.F. Hall in Red Deer at 2.00 p.m. The afternoon session will take the shape of an informal get-together and exhibition which this year will be staged by members of the Edmonton Stamp Collectors' Club. A full course turkey dinner will be served after which Mr. S. C. Nickle Jr., of the Calgary Society, will address the gathering on the subject, "Collecting Canada."

The evening will be devoted to a stamp auction conducted by the Calgary Philatelic Society under the chairmanship of Mr. J. Benningin, 614 21st Ave. N.E., Calgary, to whom lots should be sent as early as possible.

The Calgary delegation will be led by President, Syd Richardson, while Frederick N. Harris, President of the E.S.C.C. will head up the Edmonton contingent.

Dinner tickets at $2.00 each may be obtained at the door.

All collectors are welcome especially those in Red Deer and district.

CALGARY ENGRAVER RETIRES

Canadian First-Day Cover collectors will be sorry to learn of the retirement of Mr. Herbert Earle, designer and producer of steel engraved Canadian First-Day Covers for the past number of years.

Bert Earle has left his mark on this particular phase of Canadian Philately. Being an artist in his own right, a member of the Alberta Society of Artists, he brought to his engraving that sensitivity and sureness of touch that only an artist can give to steel engravings. Bert learned his trade at Waterlow & Sons in London, England, at the turn of the century and vividly recalls working on the engravings for Chinese stamps of that period.

His last cover for the Boy Scouts' Jamboree, has a beautiful engraving of Sir Robert Baden Powell on it. His engravings can be identified by the initials U.E.L. which stand for Universal Engravers Limited and in some instances H.E., his own initials. It will be a long time, if ever, when cover collectors will be able to get covers so artistically designed and beautifully executed as those done by Bert Earle of Calgary. We wish him a pleasant and happy retirement.

"The trouble with being a leader today," said the politician, "is that you can never be sure whether people are following you or chasing you."

AUBREY KELSON, 144 E

THE COLLECTIONS OF MR. GEO. B. KIMBELL, OTTAV

	M	U
ANTIGUA		
81-3	.35	.40
84-91	—	.60
84-93	1.90	—
84-92, 96-7	9.20	—
94-5	.16	.25
98-9	2.15	1.65
100-3 blocks	3.45	—
100-3	.60	1.00
104-5	.20	.25
BAHAMAS		
90-1	.95	.95
97-9	.30	.35
100 bet 110 (10)	1.10	—
100 bet 113 (13)	6.65	—
100-13 (17)	8.30	9.25
116-25	1.75	—
116-29	9.95	11.50
130-1 blocks	.65 set	.25
132-47	16.90	18.75
148-9	4.95	5.75
150-3 blocks	3.25	—
150-3	.75	.90
BARBADOS		
190-2	.30	.35
193-201a	3.25	3.50
193 bet 201a (13)	2.50	2.30
193 bet 201a (14)	2.75	2.50
202-6	1.70	1.95
207-8 blocks	.65 set	.25
210-11	1.55	2.10
212-15 blocks	2.75 set	.65
216-27	4.00	4.50
230-3 blocks	1.55 set	.50
228-29	.25	.30
BERMUDA		
105, 8, 9, 9a, 12, 14	4.25	—
115-7	.30	.35
118-22	1.75	—
118-28	—	13.50
123-8	10.30	—
131-2 blocks	.60 set	.25
133-4	5.00	5.50
135-7	.30	.38
138-41 blocks	3.30 set	.75
CAYMAN IS.		
85-93	—	2.95
97-9	.25	.30
100-8	.85	.90
100-11	4.00	4.95
112-3	—	.25
116-7	2.00	2.75
118-21 blocks	2.65	—
118-21	.60	.70
122-31	.65	.75
122-34	3.70	4.35

	M	U
DOMINICA		
94-6	.30	.35
97-104	—	.70
97-106	2.30	2.90
108-9	.15 blks	.60
110-3	3.40	3.65
114-5	2.25	2.85
116-9 blocks	2.50 set	.70
120-1	.20	.25
122-36	4.25	4.95
134-6	3.00	—
137-40 blocks	1.65	—
137-40	.40	.45
GRENADA		
128-30	.30	.35
131-9	—	.50
131-42	4.50	5.50
143-4	.16	.25
145-6	3.00	3.50
147-50 blocks	2.50 set	.70
151-63	4.25	5.20
164-5	.20	.25
166-9 blocks	1.45 set	.45
J11-4	.28	—
J15-8	.20	—
JAMAICA		
113-5	.25	.25
116-25	—	.55
116-28	4.00	3.85
129-35	3.50	4.40
136-7	.15	.20
138-9	5.00	5.00
141	3.50	3.85
142-5 blocks	2.65 set	.60
146-7	.20	.20
150-1 blocks	.85 set	.25
LEEWARD IS.		
100-2	.25	.30
103-11	—	.50
103-15	7.25	8.50
118-9	1.20	1.65
116-17	.15	.20
120-5	.30	.35
126-9 blocks	2.85 set	.75
130-1	.20	.30
MONTSERRAT		
89-91	.25	.30
92-9	.50	.50
92-101	2.50	2.95
102-3	.15	.20
104-5	7.95	8.25
106-7	1.35	1.65
108-11 blocks	2.65 set	.65
112-3	.20	.25
114-26	7.50	8.25

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	M	U
ST. KITTS		
76-8	.20	.30
79-86	—	.55
79-88	2.25	2.60
89-90	.15	.20
91-2	9.90	11.50
93-4	1.25	1.55
95-8 blocks	2.65 set	.70
99-104	.70	.85
105-6	.25	.30
107-18	5.85	6.50
ST. LUCIA		
107-9	.20	.30
110-18	—	1.10
110-23	11.00	12.50
124-5 blocks	.60 set	.20
126-8	.30	.35
129-30	5.00	5.95
131-4 blocks	2.65 set	.75
135-44	—	.70
135-48	7.25	7.95
149-50	.20	.20
151 blocks	1.60 blks	1.75
152-5 block	1.40 set	.35
ST. VINCENT		
138-40	.20	.30
141-8	—	1.00
141-50	4.10	—
141-51	10.95	12.50
152-3 blocks	.60	—
154-5	4.95	6.25
156-64	.75	.65
156-69	7.25	8.25
170-3 blocks	2.70 set	.70
174-5	.20	.25
176-9 blocks	1.45 set	.40
180-4	.25	.25
TRINIDAD & TOBAGO		
47-9	.25	.35
50-8 (12)	—	.75
50-9	—	1.00
50-61	7.50	4.75
62-3 block	.60 set	.22
64-5	5.75	7.50
66-9 blocks	2.50 set	.70
70-1	.20	.25
TURKS & CAICOS		
75-7	.20	.30
78-86a (9)	—	.75
78-89	5.50	6.50
92-3	2.00	2.75
94-100	4.95	5.25
101-4 blocks	2.65 set	.75
105-13	.55	.70
105-17	3.75	4.75
VIRGIN IS.		
73-5	.20	.25
76-83	—	.60
76-87	8.50	10.50
88-9	.15	.20
90-1	3.50	4.25
92-5 blocks	2.65 set	.75
96-7	.45	.50
98-101	1.45	1.65
102-13	6.80	7.50
ITEMS NOT PREVIOUSLY LISTED		
ADEN		
1-10	8.50	—
32-5	1.75	—
ASCENSION		
40-6 (8)	.75	—
40-9 (11)	—	4.65
57-60	—	.85
AUSTRALIA		
147-9	3.00	—
BASUTOLAND		
1-7	2.25	—
41-4	—	.65
BECHUANALAND		
149-52	—	.65
BERMUDA		
55-61	7.25	—
BR. HONDURAS		
115-24	2.10	—
BR. SOLOMON		
80-1	—	.35
BRUNEI		
79-82	.55	—
CEYLON		
293-4	—	.15
COOK IS.		
131-40	1.65	—
EGYPT		
281-83	.65	—
MAURITIUS		
235-46	—	1.00
MALTA		
116-29	11.75	—
NIGERIA		
75-8	—	.70
NORTH BORNEO		
244-54	—	.95
NORTH RHODESIA		
48-53 blocks	1.50	—
NEWFOUNDLAND		
163-71	7.25	—
FALKLAND ISLANDS		
54-70	2.00	—
GIBRALTAR		
96-9	1.25	—

RAMBLING GOSSIP

By Mufti

Stanley Gibbons of London celebrate their centenary year in 1956 with an exhibition. One hundred years in business for any firm is deserving of congratulations. This well known old philatelic house has been of great assistance to collectors all over the world, it will be the hope of many that they will long remain in business. Gibbons part 1 of the British Empire has come to hand and gives us many changes in listings. Before you read these lines the 2 Reign catalog will have reached us here, this being later to the Part 1 edition may include further changes in some of the last George 6th issues.

The long awaited issues of the high denominations of Great Britain are now on the way, two of them at least, 10/- and 20/- values. Reports are that the 2/6 and 5/ stamps will follow shortly having been issued on September 23rd.

"Fyndhem" of Stamp Collecting fame gives another boost to one of our stamps by featuring the dollar Ferry and informs us that it is not in great abundance in the British Isles. Gibbons prices it at 20/- mint and 3/- used, it may be a good item for some of us to hold on to.

I read in the overseas press some comment about Newfoundland #192 the Princess Elizabeth stamp for which there has been a big run. In my quest for selected used copies I have found them particularly scarce with the mint none too plentiful. The new Gibbons price of 20/ each for these stamps does not appear to me as being any too high in so far as the supply goes.

It makes good reading to know that the grand old Parisian firm of Theodore Champion will carry on under the capable direction of Mr. Piere Yvert and the two Vargas brothers who for many years were closely associated with Mr. Champion who started the well known business in 1902. A fine write up of the firms history by Mr. H. L. Lindquist was lately given us in "Stamps."

The new high value stamps of Great Britain were designed by a Mr. Lynton Lamb with the following Castles depicted, the 2/6 in brown with Carrickfergus Castle in Northern Ireland, the 5/- in red with Caernarvon Castle in Wales, the 10/- Edinburgh Castle, Scotland, and the 20/- in black of Windsor Castle, England. It seems a pity that no names of these subjects appear on any of the stamps, for awhile and until collectors become familiar with them there may be some confusion as to which is which. The inset of Queen Elizabeth is from one of Dorothy Wilding portraits of Her Majesty. The subjects from photographic illustrations look smart enough but to my mind appear to be a little cramped. There's no doubt however that these issues will be immensely popular, they are of the type which the majority of collectors have been waiting for, and should give further impetus to the popularity of the issues of Great Britain.

After a particularly hot summer we are now back to stamp hobby days and evenings, so we should be able to "go to it" again with lots of pep.

By the way where is "Scotia"? several of us want him in column or page again.

So long everyone.

CANADA JOTTINGS

By Will Eye

This month we start a new monthly series of general interest on Canadian philatelic happenings. The continuance of this series depends upon READER INTEREST—drop us a line and let us know what you want discussed.

50c and $1 Overprinted Officials

The scarcest regular stamps in terms of quantities printed and issued in Canada since the dollar values of the 1897 Jubilee are found in these top value officials of the past few years. The basis for the rapidly increasing prices can readily be seen when the quantity available is compared with the demand from collectors for these items.

Scott No.	Value	Possible Pl. Blks.	Off'l Quan.
O9	50c OHMS Lumber	288	30,000
O10	$1 OHMS Ferry	620	65,000
O11	50c OHMS Oil	740	95,000
O25	$1 Ferry G	540	60,000
O27	$1 Fish G	450	40,000

In all cases except for #O11 there

are far more mint available on the market than used and the quantities above for possible plate blocks take this into consideration and the figures are for mint plate blocks only as it is unlikely there were many in used condition. It should also be noted that at least 10% mint and 20% used are probably destroyed or in a condition unacceptable to a collector. Used vs Mint—While in all cases except O11 there are more mint available than used, it should be noted that the demand for mint is almost double that for used (this includes collecting of blocks of 4 and plate blocks mint). Thus in all cases except O27 the used price will probably remain somewhat lower than the mint. Since the mint were available only through the Philatelic Section at Ottawa they can be generally expected in very fine condition with selected centering. The condition of the used will vary widely as most were used on parcels and can be expected in poor to fine condition. There were of course many dealers who had large quantities cancelled to order and these will be in very fine condition.

Missing Period Variety

The missing period after the 's' of OHMS occurs once in every 200 stamps on the first printing and is found in the L.L. plate block. On O9 there was only one printing so this error occurs on all L.L. plate blocks and there are about 40 blocks available to collectors. On O10 this variety occured only on the first printing but the second printing was only slightly larger than the first (5,000) so it leaves about 52 L.L. blocks with the error and 58 with the period included. It should be noted that these L.L. plate positions are probably not as scarce as the other three positions because collectors were specially keeping their eyes out for the L.L.'s. The prices on the plates are skyrocketing and already O9 plates are quotes at over $100. Real nice material to have.

SCOTT'S 1956 VOL. II

A record number of price changes and additions—39,139 by actual count —have been made in Volume II of Scott's 1956 Standard Postage Stamp Catalogue, which is published this month by Scott Publications, Inc., 461 Eighth Ave., New York 1. The advent of this 1,235-page book, covering the issues of Europe, Asia and Africa, marks the 89th year of publication for this world-famous catalogue.

The avalanche of price changes and a considerable number of listing revisions are due to the assiduous work of Eugene N. Costales, the internationally known philatelist and expert who joined the Scott editorial staff early this year. Mr. Costales' name appears on the title page as co-editor with Gordon R. Harmer, president of Scott Publications, who has been editor-in-chief of the Scott catalogues since 1947.

The count of new prices reveals that Germany has received 1,110; Portugal, 995; Spain proper, 941; Spanish Morocco, Guinea, West Africa and Western Sahara, 875; Japan, 526; Afghanistan, 295; China, 254; Andorra, 126; Austria,, 602.

Not All Prices Go Up

Many of the older classic issues show the usual steady increase in price, but not all price changes are up this year. In the Soviet period of Russia many reductions will be noted. In Germany, minor varieties of the inflation issues have been drastically reduced. There are also, of course, some notable increases in Germany.

French Offices in China, Nos. J7-32 have been priced unused for the first time—a total of $2,855 for the 26 stamps.

In Saudi Aarabia, No. 21 has increased from $25 to $150 unused.

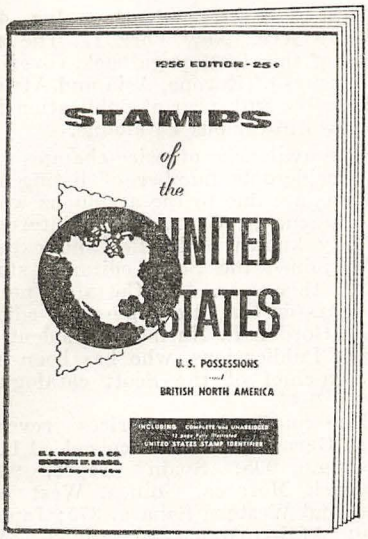
In Syria, souvenir sheets C145a and C147a went from $3.50 to $40 and C156a, fofrmerly unpriced, is now at $40.

One hundred and eight new major-number listings have been added to Latvia and Lithuania.

In Spain, the patriotic and local issues of the civil war are now numbered and priced.

Major number listings have been deleted in eight countries.

Vol. II of Scott's Standard Catalogue is priced at $5. Vol I which covers U.S., British Empire and the American Nations, will be published in October (price $4). The combined Edition, which consists of both volumes bound together, will be out in November (price $8).



HARRIS FIRST WITH NEW 1956 U.S. & B.N.A. CATALOG

Stamps of the United States, U.S. Possessions, and British North America. 1956 Edition, (144 pages, 1497 illustrations) including new U.S. Stamp Identifier. Price 25c. Published by H. E. Harris & Co., 1422 Transit Bldg., Boston 17, Mass.

First 1956 U. S. & B.N.A. catalog to appear is the popular H. E. Harris & Co. issue just released. Always a reliable indicator of market conditions in its field, the new 144-page catalog shows a firm upward trend with over 1500 price revisions, mostly modest increases. With its previous catalog out only eight months, the Harris & Co., world's largest stamp firm, says the new price changes accurately reflect the further increased demand for practically all types of stamps of the United States and British North America.

Under a smart, attractive cover, the pages are liberally illustrated with 1497 beautifully clear photographs and contain a virtually complete listing of U.S. stamps through the end of 1955 (including revenues, telegraphs, envelopes, postal cards, etc.) plus all U.S. Possessions, Confederate States, United Nations, Canada, Newfoundland and the Provinces.

Prices are quoted not only for singles (both mint and used) but also for first day covers, mint sheets, plate blocks and other specialties. Included as a bonus feature is the U.S. Stamp Identifier, 12 illustrated pages that tell how to distinguish between rare and common, look-a-like stamps. All in all, the Harris 1956 U.S. and B.N.A. catalog is a valuable, skillfully compiled book that collectors will find worth far more than the small 25c charge.

Canada Prices Show Market Vitality

Numerous increases in the British North America section for 1956 conclusively indicate the growing popularity of Canadian issues. Among others, the 1c 1859, used, (No. 14) advanced from $1.00 to $1.25; No. 45 unused 10c 1888, from $3.25 to $3.75. No. O25 $1.00 Ferry, with G overprint, unused, from $4.65 tot $6.50.

Distribution figures show that the Harris catalog is the most widely used U.S. catalog in the world. If the present market, obviously growing in size and activity, is any indication, this important new edition should enjoy the most enthusiastic response from both collectors and dealers. A copy may be obtained for 25c from H. E. Harris & Co., 1422 Transit Bldg., Boston 17, Mass.

BOOK REVIEW

"Canada Stamps with Perforated Initials" has come to hand and is a 32 page booklet dealing with the subject, prepared by the BNAPS Perfin Study Group. This seems a very thorough study, beginning with the history of such stamps and the devices used in making them and is illustrated throughout and has several pages of a check list.

This is the second book to be produced by the British North America Philatelic Society, the first being Dr. Alfred Whitehead's "The Squared Circle Postmarks of Canada" which was published in December of 1954.

"Canadian Stamps with perforated Initials" sells for $1.00 and copies may be obtained from Gordon P. Lewis, 37 Eldomar Ave., Brampton, Ontario, Canada.

The aviation instructor, having delivered a lecture on parachute work, concluded with these words:

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What Governs Price?

By L. Seale Holmes, M.D.

Did it ever occur to you just what governs the price of a stamp? There are several factors that enter into this controversial subject. A very prime one is supply. Yet this alone is not enough. Demand or popularity has a tremendous influence. This factor is also dependant on the whims of collectors. Over-printed stamps are never very popular except to those serious collectors who want to complete their collection. Attractive bi-colored stamps such as our recent Boy Scout stamp are always in great demand.

Perhaps the most popular stamp Canada has is the Map stamp of 1898. The Boy Scout and the Map stamps have a very strong eye appeal. Almost every order dealers will receive will have both of these stamps among those ordered by the average collector.

Now to return to the factor of supply. Really this means the number issued by the P .O. dept. Take for example the Commemoratives of 1947-8-9 beginning with the Bell which had only 25,050,000 issued and along with this are the Citizen and Halifax with like numbers issued. These will call for somewhat higher prices than the others which had double the number issued. This also explains why the 5c Capex is climbing up to its rightful value which it has not reached yet in comparison to the other values of the same set. They are all equally popular but the supply is low in relation to the other values.

Now to consider stamps that were not issued to the public. There have been many brick-brats thrown at some Canadian stamps but those who have thrown them are very inconsistent in their arguments. Lets go back to the King Edward 2c imperf. which the P.O. printed and never sold over the counters of the P.O.s. Yet these have always been accepted by collectors. Again when the P.O. printed the 1c, 2c, and 3c Geo. V imperfs and never sold them over the counter, yet here again they have been accepted by collectors and cataloguers. Human nature is so queer so often.

Why accept all them and when a few panes of other issues get out what a holler is raised by some who call them printer's waste, throw them away and other irresponsible remarks.

Now lets get back to the question of price. The 3 values of Geo. VI referred to were printed and issued 1c—50,000, 2c—50,000, 3c—100,000. Now remember these were not sold over the counters for postage so we can safely assume all are still in existence. True some were used for postage but you can bet your last dollar they were not lost but carefully saved by some collector or dealer. So today we have just as many of the 1c value as the 2c value and twice as many of the 3c value.

Now lets face the facts and the prices should be for the 1c and 2c just double what the 3c value is priced at. Then let us go further and examine the over-prints of 1926. The single line was issued in just half the quantity of the double line. Then if we are reasonable and face the facts, the price of the single line should be double the price of the double line over-print. Remember too that these were not available to the public, so that very few would be wasted by being used and we can assume they are about all in existence today. Now why are not these prices found in dealers lists today in relation to these facts?

To me it looks like some one set the prices in error and like sheep others follow in line. I could give other examples of careless and improper pricing but these should be enough to make us sit up and do some correcting.

There are many Canadian stamps that are away underpriced. Real sleepers they are. What ones are they? Well that can wait for another story on Canadian stamps. I said in starting out that supply and demand governed the price of stamps yet I have proven I think that that is not so in the examples I have quoted.

"The only thing that goes as far as it did ten years ago," said Uncle Filbert, "is the dime that rolls under the bureau."

NEW ADDRESS

Mr. Robert W. Lyman is back with us again as an advertiser. He writes that his new permanent address is Box 23, Station D, Toronto 9, Canada. He had a series of ads with us in the spring which followed a buying trip to Europe and the U.S.A.

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Mar. 24 Annual Exhibition.
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It is possible this retouch is well known to Canadians. The question is did this retouch exist from the first, or was it made at sometime during the printing?

Incidently the earlier imprints of this issue do not show the word 'Limited'. Unfortunately my collection is far from complete, therefore do not know when the change was made.

I would be very pleased to hear from an expert in these issues.

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